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Applicant: Ioan Cosmescu

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Title: AUTOMATIC FLUID CONTROL SYSTEM FOR USE  
IN OPEN AND LAPAROSCOPIC LASER SURGERY  
AND ELECTROSURGERY AND METHOD THEREFOR

REQUEST FOR ONE-MONTH EXTENSION

Box AMENDMENT-FEE  
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Washington, D.C. 20231-0001

Dear Sir:

It is respectfully requested that a one (1) month extension of time to file an Amendment and Response to the Office Action dated September 22, 2000 be granted. Please charge the fee for this extension in the amount of \$55.00, and any other amounts that may apply to this extension, to our Deposit Account No. 19-2814. **A duplicate copy of this request is enclosed.**

Respectfully submitted,

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